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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

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B. FIELDS SEARCHED

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C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category*	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
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X -- Y	US 4,758,612 A (WILSON et al.) 19 July 1988, abstract, column 1, line 39 to column 2, line 23, column 2, lines 46-62, column 3, lines 4-22, column 5, lines 47-59 and Example 1.	1-7, 9-11, 13-15, 18-22, 24-25, 27-29 ----- 1-31

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